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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH SEQUENCE LISTING REQUIREMENTS

In response to the Notice to Comply with Sequence Listing Requirements, mailed September 26, 2003, in the above-mentioned application, Applicants respectfully assert that the sequence listing filed on February 6, 2002 in paper and electronic forms complies with the requirements of 37 CFR §§1.821-1.825. Applicants assert that all sequences in the claims and specification are identified by SEQ ID NOs, as required by 37 CFR §§1.821-1.825.

With no extension of time, this response is due on or before Monday, October 27, 2003 (October 26, 2003 is a Sunday). Applicants believe no fees are due in this filing, however, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 20363-015NATL.

The Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned below with any questions or comments related to this filing.

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NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE IN THE OFFICE OF PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Applicant must file the items indicated below within the time period set the Office action to which the Notice is attached to avoid abandonment under 35 U.S.C. § 133 (extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)).

The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998).
2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."
5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable from of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
7. Other: all sequences in claims and specification must be identified by SEQ_ID NO:.
Applicant Must Provide:
An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing". *if necessary
An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).
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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application

This application contains sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). However, this application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 for the reason(s) set forth on the attached Notice To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures. Applicant must comply with the requirements of the sequence rules (37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825) before the application can be examined under 35 U.S.C. §§ 131 and 132. Specifically, all sequences in the claims and specification must be identified by SEQ ID NO:.

APPLICANT IS GIVEN 30 days FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER WITHIN WHICH TO COMPLY WITH THE SEQUENCE RULES, 37 C.R.F. §§ 1.821-1.825. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in ABANDONMENT of the application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g). Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. In no case may an applicant extend the period for response beyond the six month statutory period. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached Notice to Comply with the response.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Dr. Gerald Ewoldt whose telephone number is (703) 308-9805. If the examiner cannot be reached, inquiries can be directed to Supervisory Patent Examiner Christina Chan whose telephone number is (703) 308-3973. The fax number for the organization where this application is assigned is (703) 308-4242.

G.R. Ewoldt, Ph.D. Primary Examiner Tech Center 1600 September 23, 2003